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Red Letter Hop to Disclose Winners of Celebrity Titles



Senior celebrity candidates display their posters at Celebrity Hop. (See last paragraph below.)

Senior celebrity awards will be presented to the anxiously waiting contestants at the Red Letter Hop, December 4.

Some of the titles to be announced are: Mr. and Miss Tilden, Boy and Girl Most Likely to Succeed, Boy and Girl Who Did the Most, Best Boy and Girl Athlete, Most Versatile Boy and Girl, Handsomest Boy, Prettiest Girl, and Best Boy and Girl Dancer.

Titles Awarded

Aside from popularity titles, there will be awards given in art, oration, journalism, music, voice, mathematics, history, and drama, as well.

The contest began October 25 with the signing of petitions. Candidates were introduced to the senior class during Celebrity Hop. Campaigning will be carried on by the wearing of original posters and the displaying of similar posters in class rooms.

Mr. Benjamin Diamond, faculty advisor of senior activities, says, "The decision will be announced on December 4; the voting is strictly up to the students."

Seniors Vote

Voting in this election is open to seniors alone. Information concerning the contest will be posted on the bulletin board in front of room 232.

Mr. Diamond hopes that this senior class activity will have better response than election of senior officers when Mr. Diamond, because of a lack of candidates, was forced to appoint the new officers.

The names of those pictured above are, l. to r.: Barbara Leicht, Iris Savoy, Steven Radlow, Joyce Kaplan, and Gary Topchik.

Drama Guild Presents Skits; Spring Play Not Decided Upon

"Four by Thurber," the Drama Guild's fall one act play, was presented in the morning and afternoon assemblies of November 4th and 18th. The play consisted of a series of four skits. The Guild's adviser is Mr. Joel Dick.

Four Skits Presented

The skits illustrated Thurber's use of satire by making comic thrusts at modern day people and their daily lives. The first skit, entitled "The Unicorn in the Garden," depicted the dangers of a totally realistic attitude toward everything commonly considered non-existent. "The Little Girl and the Wolf," the second of the four, was an updated version of "Little Red Riding Hood, with a surprise ending. This was followed by "The Pet Department," which satirized people who own pets and their veterinarians. The final skit was "The Secret Life of Walter Mitty," based on the short story by Thurber.

Included in the cast were Charles Kleinberg, head of the Guild, Joel Litsky, Vice-President, Marjorie Friedman, Ronald Roth, Diana Marcus, Elaine Zitren, Donald Kaplan, Gail Epstein, and Paul Zimmering.

Spring Play Not Decided

One of the new techniques used in this production, was the use of three propmen, dressed in black to represent their invisibility, who changed sets between scenes, in full view of the audience. Also an innovation was a Jazz Combo that played accompaniment during the between the scenes.

"Bajour," a new play starring Chita Rivera, is the tentative choice by the Drama Guild for its annual theatre party. The date is set for December 12th. Also of importance to the Guild, is the fact that a suitable full-length play, to be presented in the spring, has not yet been found. Mr. Dick would only say that one play was under particular consideration, but refused to give any further information at this time.

Also included in the Guild's repertoire is the Poetry-Declamation Contest, in which the thespians will take part in the declaiming.

The Drama Guild affords opportunities to students to gain experience in theater arts such as writing, make-up, set design, staging, props, set construction, and costume design.

Tickets for Sing '64 Are On Sale Now

Tickets for Tilden Sing will be going on sale November 23rd in the lobby of the auditorium during periods 5 through 9. The cost is \$1.50 for performances and \$.75 for dress rehearsals. Seats must be reserved, as tickets will not be sold at the door.

The dress rehearsal will take place Thursday, December 17, and performances given Friday and Saturday, December 18th and 19th.

Themes, songs and scripts have been prepared. "From Bobby Sox to Sophisms" is the theme of the Sophomores. The Junior and Senior themes are "Juniors Play the Palace," and "Seniors in Retrospect."

Central Sing Commission extends a warm invitation to all to come see Tilden Sing.

Republican, Democrat Discuss Politics In Free-Wheeling Debate in Assembly

"Election Campaign '64" was the theme of a debate, which took place as an assembly program October 28, between Mr. Howard Shakin, a Democratic State Committeeman from the 15th Assembly District, and Mr. Peter Malia, a Republican State Senator from the 12th Senatorial District.

Republican Absent

The two gentlemen were to have debated the issue of the Presidential and N.Y. Senatorial races, extolling the virtues of their party's candidates. Mr. Malia, however, didn't appear in the morning assembly, and, therefore, Mr. Abraham Venit, Chairman of the Social Studies Department, substituted for him.

The program was moderated by David Weiner, 71G. Mr. Shakin spoke first, followed by Mr. Venit, and then questions were addressed to them by students.

The Issues

The Democratic Committeeman cited five major topics—peace, employment, taxes, education, and human rights and civil liberties as the most

important issues in the elections, and spoke about the Kennedy-Keating race, explaining why he considers Kennedy the best candidate. Mr. Venit, speaking for the Republican Senator, cited individual liberty as the major issue of the presidential campaign, and gave approval to Senator Keating.

Mr. Venit was applauded for his off-the-cuff participation. Both candidates answered questions, even though they were addressed to only one of them at a time.

Marc Kligman Is Semi-Finalist In National Merit Award Test

Marc Kligman, 8G, has become a semi-finalist on the basis of his performance on the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. This test of educational development was given last March in high schools throughout the country.

In addition, thirteen seniors have been honored for their high performance on the National Merit Test. These students received a formal letter of commendation signed by Mr. Abraham Margolies and the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

The commended and honored students are: Daniel Belgrair, 7S, Esther Drach, 7L, Lynne Feinstein, 8F, David Gewirtz, 7W, Abraham

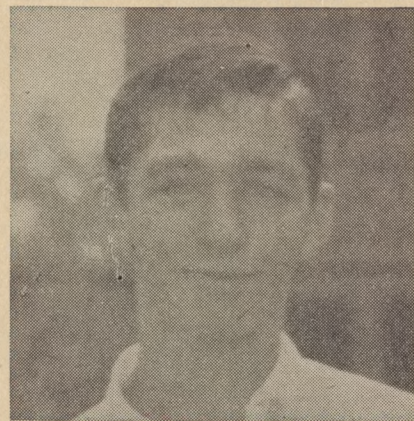
Goodgold, 7X, Victoria Hashmall, 7W, Irene Horowitz, 7A, Sheldon Kalick, 7Z, Stewart Prager, 71C, Emily Spieler, 7T, Barry Spitz, 7Z, David Weiner, 71G, and Judy Weiss, 7W.

In order to become a finalist on the NMSQT, the semi-finalist must substantiate his qualifying performance on a second examination, be endorsed by his high school, and fulfill certain requirements to become finalists.

The commended students took the test in their junior year. In his letter of commendation addressed to these students, John M. Stalnaker, President of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation said, "We urge the commended to make every effort to attend college, and to develop to

the fullest their promise of future achievement. By doing so they will benefit both themselves and the nation."

Daniel Belgrair has been a secretary to various teachers, a reporter on the Topics staff, and a member of Arista. Esther Drach has offered service to Mrs. Bergman in the office and David Gewirtz has been secretary clerk in the office and a member of Arista.



Marc Kligman, semi-finalist

The extracurricular activities of Lynne Feinstein include being captain of the cafeteria marshalls, editorial and feature page editor of Tilden Topics, and a member of Arista. Abraham Goodgold's activities in Tilden have been varied. He has ably assisted in the library and the biology lab squad.

Victoria Hashmall, an Aristonian, has worked on Caravan and was an usher for the Drama Guild. Irene Horowitz has participated in Sophomore Sing and tutored math. She is presently an Arista member. Sheldon Kalick has participated on the Math Team, Arista coaching, and the library squad.

One of the non-academic activities of Stewart Prager, who is an Arista member, was being a member of the chemistry squad. Emily Spieler worked on Caravan, has been a member of the band and orchestra, and is Editor-in-Chief of Tilden Topics. She, too, is an Arista member.

Feinstein, Werner Have Class' Highest Averages



Left to right: Lynne Feinstein, Richard Katz, Helen Werner, Glorilyn Nelson, and Shareanne Shapiro. These five students are the top scholars in the January '65 graduating class.

Top scholars of the graduating class of January 1965 were announced in November. Heading the list of 297 students composed of 243 academic and commercial students and 54 general students are Lynne Feinstein, Helen Werner and Richard Katz.

Lynne Feinstein, 8F, with an average of 96.9, ranks first in the graduating class. She has been Feature and Editorial Page Editor of Tilden Topics. Lynne is a member of Arista.

Helen Werner, 8F is second with a 94.5 average. Helen is on the library staff. With an average of 94.4, Richard Katz, 8F, ranks third.

Nelson Choral Leader

Glorilyn Nelson, 8A, fourth in the graduating class, has an average of 94.3. She has been Choral Leader in the Girl's Chorus and has been a member of the Cantata. Glorilyn has also participated in Tilden's Sight Singing Program.

Fifth in the graduating class is Shareane Shapiro of class 8D, with a composite average of 93.9. Shareane has been a member of the Cantata and has also participated in the Mixed Chorus and in Sing. Brenda Roitman, of class 8B, follows with a 93.3 average.

With an average of 93.1, Iris Slobod, of class 80A, is an Arista member. Iris has been a member of Sing, and has worked on the staff of the Arista newspaper, Neophyte News. Steven Reiner, 8A, maintains a 93.0 average.

Other Scholars Noted

Ranking ninth in the graduating class is Jacklyn Horowitz, 8C, with a 92.6 average. Jacklyn has been a member of Sing for three terms. Ira Posner, 8F, has the tenth highest average with 92.3. Ira has been a member of the Math Team.

Other January graduates with high averages are Doreen Sabinson, 8C, 92.2, Adriane Berg, 8E, 91.7, Ann Epstein, 8A, 91.6, Meridy Alderman, 8C, 91.6, and Stewart Gerber, 8A, with a 91.5 average.

Meeting of Alumni Association Planned

Tilden's Alumni Association is tentatively scheduled to meet Tuesday evening, December 22, in the Tilden auditorium. Mr. Sam Saltz is in charge of the Association.

The purpose of the Alumni Association is to provide means for alumni to keep in touch with friends and teachers, to provide aid for needy and deserving children who are helped financially, and to have an organization which devotes part of its energies to help the school and maintain certain functions.

To Install Plaque

It has been voted that the alumni will install a plaque inscribed with winning names of Sing classes. The Association has also taken up the sponsorship of the Junior Varsity football team, long considered a very important function to insure the selection and preparation of good football material for the varsity.

Announcements Made Publicly

The reunion was attended last year by 400 people. No invitations are to be sent since the addresses are no longer considered reliable. The Association is depending upon word of mouth to spread the news to all alumni. There will be announcements made on television and radio.

This year's reunion will take place at 8 P.M.

Why Should We Cram and Be Crammed?

As the new school term has swung into full gear, it is with trepidation that many students have met the barrage of tests that challenge them each semester. Although it must be realized that examinations are a necessary evil of the educational system since they represent the major method by which a teacher may evaluate students' progress, an alleviation of the 'four-tests-in-one-day' syndrome is important both for students' morale and actual performance. It is demoralizing to be expected to prepare adequately for four or five major examinations scheduled for one school day. Even if such preparation were possible, grades are seriously impaired by fatigue incurred by pressure in the course of the day.

An improvement in this situation could be initiated without much difficulty by the issuance of an official schedule which would designate specific days of the week for testing in each subject area (for instance, exams in English on Monday, sciences, stenography, and typing Tuesday, social studies Wednesday, mathematics Thursday, and bookkeeping and languages Friday). Although teachers would naturally not be forced to comply with such a schedule, it would probably result in a more equitable distribution of tests throughout the week, and would particularly help students carrying especially demanding programs.

A system similar to the one proposed is in use in other high schools and has been found to be highly successful. However, such success can only be achieved through cooperation of the faculty, especially at the end of marking periods when pressure is at its peak. In addition, students must be willing to devote time to study, so that test scores reflect the improvement in the testing system. Thus, the development of such a schedule would lessen, if not entirely dissipate, many current testing problems.

The opinions expressed by this newspaper are not necessarily those of the Board of Education or the school administration.

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

The New York City Board of Education has published and put into effect a new and polemical plan for the betterment of the education of the children of the city. It surprised me greatly to see that the first issue of *Topics* did not contain even one mention of this controversial innovation in the educational system of the city. Last year, an editorial appeared on the subject of the February 3rd boycott, but no stand was taken on the boycotts of September 14 and 15 that were related to this new plan. Certainly, these latter boycotts were just as important as the first.

From the complete oversight or the calculated ignoring of this issue, one conclusion may be drawn: *Tilden Topics* is indifferent. Neutrality is sometimes a necessity but more often a despicable means of escape. I hope that *Tilden Topics* will soon print an editorial stating its position on the Board of Education's new educational program and on the boycotts of early September.

Dianne Stillman, 7M

It is usually the policy of a public school newspaper to avoid taking a stand on a community issue, especially if it is one which creates tension and acrimonious controversy in the neighborhood, as did the boycott. In this particular case, the *Topics* staff disputed the question but was divided in its views, and both the faculty advisor and the school administration felt that the issue was neither timely enough in October nor sufficiently relevant to school affairs

to warrant coverage. Although *Topics* unfortunately does not always express its opinion on highly controversial matters, the editors do endeavor to make clear their position on many questions which concern the student body. We are glad that letters such as the above make it possible for us to explain our policy.

Emily Spieler
Editor-in-Chief

To the Editor:

"Four yards and a cloud of dust." This was once said of the Ohio State football team and also relates to the deplorable condition that S. J. Tilden Field is in. A lot of money is being spent renovating the building. Why, then, is nothing being done about remodeling Tilden's Field? The Tilden football team brings the school attention, prestige, money, and the basis for a fine athletic tradition. In view of this, why shouldn't the field also be considered in the renovation program?? Isn't Tilden Field part of our high school?

Al Schulman, 7Y

The answer to your complaint might be given in just one word — "overused." Unfortunately, our field is constantly trod upon by gym classes, teams, and even the summer day camp children. Thus, the grass is given almost no chance to grow. Last spring, an effort was made to keep all teams off the field after it was resodded. Perhaps next year we can initiate new means of allowing the grass to flourish and thus cut down the "clouds of dust."

Murray Adler,
Director of Athletics

Three Marvelous Midgets Make Blue Devils "Get Up and Go"



l. to r. Robert Levine, Jeffrey Goodman, and Michael Levine.

Leading the massive behemoths of the Tilden football team on to the field each week are the omineous figures of Robert Levine, number 20, his twin brother Michael, number 22, and Jeffrey Goodman, number 76.

These three titans weigh 255 pounds; that is, when all three are on a scale at once because Robert weighs 80 pounds, Michael weighs 85 pounds, and Jeff is the heavyweight of the three at 90 pounds. No, your eyes are not deceiving you, for numbers 20, 22, and 76 belong to the three Tilden mascots.

Future Stars

It's doubtful whether the mascots help the team as much as, say, Ronnie Bley did, but there's no questioning the fact that they do play a beneficial role. They really bring on the cheers of the crowd when they lead the team onto the field. During calisthenics, the players must work extra hard to prevent being outshone by those three "little kids." During the game itself, the mascots help out on the sidelines and lead quite a number of inspiring "Go-go-go" chants.

Jeffrey Goodman is 11 years old and is in the 5th grade at P.S. 244. He's a natural for a mascot since he is a star football player on his own tackle team. Jeff is also a pretty good Little League baseball player. He plays the guitar and is an avid numismatist. Jeff roots for the New York Giants' football team, but, he assures me, if they ever play Tilden, he'll root for the *Blue Devils*. Jeffrey would like nothing better than to return to the Tilden field in a different capacity—quarterback.

Topics on the Town

By Armand Gazes

This fall the new television season has shown much in the way of originality although the quality of the programs presented has not changed considerably. There is, however, some hope left for the discriminating television viewer, hope that may be found on WNDT, Channel 13.

The type of program found on Channel 13 is different in that it helps to educate the viewer as well as entertain him by appealing to his cultural and intellectual taste.

Well Informed Public

Typical of the fine programming shown on WNDT is *British Calendar*, presented on Friday nights at 9:30. This fine program, released by the British Information Service, reports on different aspects of Britain and the Commonwealth. The topics covered, from week to week, encompass such things as the British people, their work and their environment.

Along with all the other programs of this type on Channel 13, *British Calendar* should be of interest to high school students as well as to anyone else who simply wishes to become a better informed citizen.

Masters To Modern

An excellent example of how WNDT endeavors to please its more culturally inclined viewers is *Art New York*, seen on Wednesday nights at 8:00 and repeated on Friday at 10:30 P.M. Each week this program provides an enlightening study and evaluation of a well known artist and his work. The guest moderator, who is a prominent figure in the world of art, and the artist under study engage in a discussion that makes for a fascinating half hour. Whether the topic is painting or sculpture, and whether or not you are an avid art fan, you may be assured of an interesting experience.

Something For All

The two programs mentioned above make up but a small part of Channel 13's daily schedule. From day to day you can find debates, discussions, interviews, documentaries and even symphonic music on Channel 13. In other words, it is safe to say that WNDT has something for almost everybody no matter what his interests are.

So . . . the next time that you decide to watch television, tune in Channel 13—you should be surprised.



Teacher
of
the
Month

By Marilyn Levy

"Basketball is an integral part of my life," says our Teacher of the Month, Mr. Jerome Domershick, and according to his athletic record, this certainly appears to be true.

In his senior year at Jefferson High School, Mr. Domershick was captain of the basketball team and won the athletic award at graduation.

Having attended City College, Mr. Domershick quipped, "I won all basketball medals given there and was the only one named 'captain' of the City basketball team for three years. This is a quirk which could never happen again."

After his graduation from City, Mr. Domershick played professional basketball for the Milwaukee Hawks. "Although I felt I had as much ability as the other ball players, I was easily bruised and lacked stamina," he admits. Since he excelled in mathematics throughout his school years, Mr. Domershick decided to major in accounting.



Mr. Jerome Domershick

Presently, Mr. Domershick is the school auditor. He teaches all commercial subjects ranging from law to business arithmetic and record keeping. He especially enjoys teaching accounting 8. There are usually two to three such classes with sixty to one hundred students, mostly boys. "Accounting 8 is open to academic students who want to know what accounting is like," Mr. Domershick informs us. "More academic students should take this course. It gives pupils a chance to be exposed to the terminology of accounting."

It would definitely be worthwhile for students who plan to take college accounting to apply for this subject. In addition to learning about accounting, these fortunate Tildenites will meet Bob Pettit's one-time teammate.

Double Trouble

Michael and Robert Levine are twins of the first order. Both are avid sports fans. They play in local football, hockey, and baseball leagues. Other mutual interests include Cub Scouting, musical instruments, and stamp collecting. The two 9 year olds attend P.S. 233. Their father, Mr. Sidney Levine, a member of Tilden's aide staff, tells me that the boys are working hard to be future football stars and that Lee Najman, Stu Bokser, and Co. had better watch out. Amen!

Barry Spitz

Correspondences With Famous Authors Make Summer Shine

While most Tildenites were soaking up sunshine and sleeping till noon, Judy Tropiansky, editor-in-chief of *Caravan*, was burning the midnight oil and writing copious letters to well-known science fiction writers Ray Bradbury and Isaac Asimov.

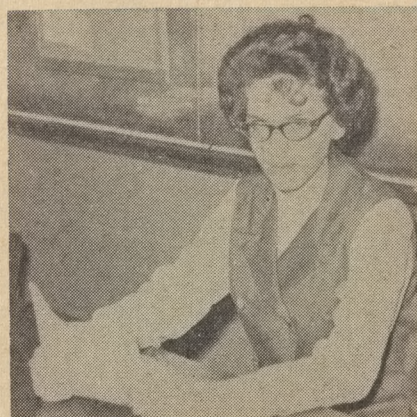
The whole thing started when Judy became absorbed in immense volumes of science fiction such as *The Martian Chronicles*, *The Illustrated Man* and *The October Country*, all written by Mr. Bradbury. Intrigued by his descriptive style, Judy wrote several letters to Mr. Bradbury praising his works.

Likewise, Judy also communicated

with Isaac Asimov. In his letters, Mr. Asimov expressed his gratification for the article written about him in *Caravan*. An excerpt from his first letter reads:

"I am not the sort that is embarrassed by flattery. I eat it up by the shovelful, so what can I say except that I think that you (the *Caravan* staff) did a marvelous job."

Another purpose of Judy's letters was to provide "the missing link" between professional writers and the aspiring literary giants on the *Caravan* staff. Judy says that "our writers must be steeped in the writing of the present, as well as of the past."



Judy Tropiansky looks over recent letter from Ray Bradbury.

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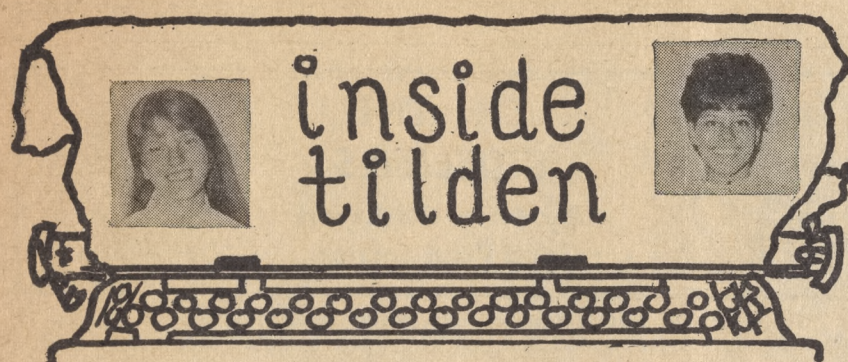
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By EMILY SPIELER and ELISE GORDON

Bedlam reigns; chaos and confusion run rampant. Our Ban the Arrow signs have disappeared and the key to the closet has been hiding somewhere. Mr. Daniels laments the change, and the *Topics* editors have been chastened by repeated mishaps. Room 118, former *Topics* office, no longer welcomes us into its sacrosanct interior, and the staff, evicted from its haven, has finally completed the move into Room 120 and settled down. The Yearbook Staff, old tenants, and the *Topics* Staff, new tenants, have become reconciled to one another, and the room hums with continuous activity. Complaints and approbation must now be lodged in our new headquarters.

The Sound of Music

As a result of auditions held at the end of September, the following students have been selected to participate in All-City Orchestra: Debby Gorelick, Elias Israelite, and Bernard Sibem, Violinists; Herbert Slusher, bass; Leslie Schwartz and Jerry Hyman, trombone. All-City Chorus has admitted Edyth Mariu and Bernard Simcovitch.

Polyglot Editors Appointed

Since officers for *Polyglot*, the foreign language magazine, had not been selected at last issue's press time, we shall cite them now. Marilyn Levy, 7G, is Editor-in-Chief. The Hebrew Editor is Rochelle Strobel, 7L. Marcia Goldstein, 7F, is the Spanish Editor. The French Editors have not yet been chosen. Joseph Zacherman, 7B, and Edyth Marin, 8B, are Art Editors. Assistants to them are Mark Sternberg, 7M, and Hazel Margolis, 7M.



Marilyn Levy

Aleph, Bet, Ayin

At the annual "Ayin" Awards Assembly of the Hebrew Culture Council held November 8, it has been brought to our attention that many Tilden students have been honored with Golden "Ayins." They are: Martha Adler, 7N, Marian Edelstein, E31, Sharon Felder, 7M, Mina Halpern, 8G, Raffi Kiriati, 8A, Harold Kornbloom, 71G, Paul Moninester, 5K, Rachel Strobel, 7L, Sara Zimmerman, 8C, William Cantor, 7Z, Paul Cohen, A3, Sharon Felder, 7M, Rita Stern, 7W, and Judith Tropiansky, 7J.

Thirty-seven students were honorable mention winners.

Defense de Fumer

The anti-smoking campaign, formerly sponsored solely by the G.O., has now spread to the foreign language department. Under the leadership of Mr. George Snow, chairman, bulletin boards, displaying posters with slogans in French, are being designed. Such slogans as "Mourez-vous pour une cigarette?" (are you dying for a cigarette?) have been illustrated by language students.



Peter, Paul, and Mr. Stein

The Tilden Singing Club, a new organization, is now meeting during the P.M. long official period in Room 324. Mr. Mel Stein, faculty advisor, Scott Neistadt and Trevor Redman, the coordinators, and the members (who hope to increase their number) also gather for hootenannies on Friday evening. Other activities include participation in the anti-smoking campaign, sponsorship of courses in guitar by members, and planned publication of a newspaper dealing with all aspects of folk music.

Writers of the World, Unite!

Mr. Harvey Frommer, of the English Department, has established a club new to Tilden—the Creative Writing Club. Robert Schwartz, 8C, has been elected president. The purpose of the club is to prepare students for writing for literary publications. The format and technique of poetry, short stories, and essays suitable for publication will be instructed. Members' contributions will be read aloud and criticized. Mr. Frommer urges all those interested to attend the meetings held every other Monday during the 10th period in Room 245.

Oops! Our Slip . . .

Our apologies to Mark Sternberg, who did not come to the U.S. from Austria as was stated in our last issue, but rather comes from Israel.

Last month, subsequent to press time, Forum President Richard Nadler resigned. This post has now been filled by Gary Prince, former vice-president.

Sorry. The avalanche of activity Inside Tilden has left no room for a conclusion.

Girls' Sports Cry For More Support

Girls' athletic activities are numerous but they could be more plentiful if the students took additional co-operative interest in these affairs.

Mrs. Muriel Zuckerman, chairman of the Girls' Health Education Department, feels that a general lack of participation among the girls is the main reason for not having a larger variety of athletic clubs. Another reason is that school space is limited.

Many Clubs Open

However, girls' athletic clubs are, and have been, available. Mondays at 2:00 P.M., a bowling club gathers at Strike and Spare Lanes, on Kings Highway near Utica Avenue. This is under the direction of Mrs. Sophie Crystal.

For those who advocate short skirts and white sneakers, Miss Fran Singer will conduct a tennis club. This is available to both A.M. and P.M. students.

Every spring term, a volley ball tournament is held in the girls' gym. Continuous team competition and eliminations among different classes take place. Winners receive PSAL prizes.

Wanna Be a Leader?

One of the most active groups is the Leader's Club, under the supervision of Mrs. Rina Stempel. A term in the leaders' class is required to be eligible. Benefits include participation in athletic competition in and out of school. Leaders also assist gym teachers in conducting classes.

Cooperation of at least twenty-five girls is needed to originate each new club. Those interested in obtaining more information should inquire in the Girls' Health Education Office, room 150.

Schedule of Uniform Mid-Term Examinations

Monday, November 30

8:15-9:45	10:00-11:30
English 7, 7M	World History 1
World Geog. 1	American Hist. 2

11:45-1:15	1:30-3:00
Economics	Chemistry 2
Record Keep. 1, 3	Earth Science 2
Regular Biology	Chemistry 7
Pilot Biology	Exp. Biology
	English 1, 3, 3M

3:15-4:45
English 4, 4M
H.I.G.

Tuesday, December 1

8:15-9:45	11:45-1:00
World Hist. 2	French
American Hist. 1	2, 3, 4, 5, 6
English 8, 8M	Spanish
	2, 3, 4, 5, 6
	Law 1

1:15-2:45	3:00-4:15
American Hist. 7	Hebrew 5
Anc. and Med. History	Child Care
English 5, 5M	Foods 1
Gen. Science 1	English 3

Tests Reading
(For students who were absent from previous exam)

Senior Class' Yearbook To Take On New Look

A complete change in format of the Senior Class yearbook, *Classic*, will take place this year, announced Mr. Arthur Daniels, faculty advisor.

Classic will be published in June. Most of its previous features will be revamped, some being discarded, others revitalized. One difference will be the increase in the use of candid photographs taken in school.

New Theme

Along with the new format, there will be a new theme for *Classic* this year. It says, "The past is prologue to a brilliant future."

As usual, the yearbook will feature a message from the principal, Mr. Abraham Margolis, whose column, a traditional part of *Classic*, is a parting word to the Senior class.

Editors of *Classic* in '65 are John McCullough, 7Y, who has been appointed Editor in Chief; assisting him will be Sylvia Smialy, 7H, serving as Managing Editor, and Lois Ahrens, 71E, as Literary Editor.

Work is already under way, and *Classic's* editors have begun to compile material. However, there is still a great deal of work to be done.

Contributions Welcome

The yearbook staff will welcome any contributions by seniors of poetry, short stories, essays, art work, and any other suitable material. These may be brought to Room 120 and given to

Mr. Daniels or any member of the *Classic* staff, or may be placed, with name and official class, in the *Classic* mailbox in the main office.

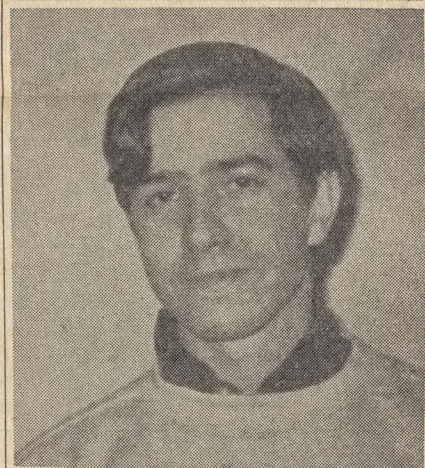
Tildenite "Rates"; Wins Scholarship

Once upon a time, far away over the sea, a little boy was born in that place we call Casablanca. Before that time, way over that sea, the French had brought their artistic tongue to that African land—along with the French occupational forces. And everyone, including George, spoke French.

That little boy was George Rates, 7H. Passing through the wings of time, he was carried by that great eagle, "Fate," through many lands and languages, and finally disembarked in the United States.

World Traveler

Although he has been in England, Portugal, Paris, Canada, and America, when George reached our demo-



George Rates

cratic shores he remembered much of his native French.

Then, ushered through the pearly gates of Tilden, he began to polish up on his former tongue. Eventually, George felt he couldn't learn enough of the language through school to be as fluent as he desired. He found an answer to his problem in a contest offering a French scholarship to the winners.

Poem Wins Contest

Thus, armed with the poem "La Cigale et la Formi" memorized and tucked in the back of his mind, he readied himself for the interview which was the test.

In George's case, Madame Daniel interviewed him. This consisted of a discourse in French. She asked his name, birthplace, school and turned an attentive ear to his recital of the poem. Voila! George was declared a winner.

C'est La Vie

By the terms of the scholarship, George attends a class every Monday night from 4:30 to 6:30 at Washington Irving High School.

The purpose of the course is to give the student the opportunity to enrich his ability to converse in the French language. Main emphasis is on pronunciation. To achieve this, and to add interest, the students read poems and plays—then act them out as a media for expressing themselves.

Possibly George brought honor to that distant shore of Casablanca but definitely he has brought it to us here.



Mr. Daniels and the yearbook staff point out, "To go along with our largest graduating class, this year's edition of *Classic* will be the biggest and best yearbook ever published by Tilden High School."

It is hoped that the contributions will consist of nostalgic memories and pleasant associations pertaining to student life at Tilden in the form of poetry, short stories, and essays, both humorous and serious, especially since this book is a reflection of the entire senior student body and not just the efforts of a select group of editors.

In many instances *Classic* is the sole physical remnant of a graduate's activities in the school. Undoubtedly many a graduate has turned to it for a few moments of recaptured memories.

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Boys Beat Devils; Dutchmen Bow 22-8 Lincoln Overcome by Blue Wave 8-7

Following the heartbreaking loss to Midwood, the Tilden *Blue Devils* fell victim to a big, strong and very much improved Boys High team 18-8. The following Friday the *Marsmen* bounced back to defeat the *Dutchmen* from Erasmus 22-8. A stubborn *Blue Raider* defense held Lincoln to only 7 points by staging the upset of the 1964 football season. The previously unbeaten *Honest Abes* were surprised to the tune of 8-7 November 7, bringing the *Devils'* record to 4-2.

Blue Devils Bow to Boys

The *Devils* of Tilden suffered their second defeat in as many weeks at the hands of a big and powerful Boys High team, 18-8. The game took place October 24th at Tilden's home field.

The *Kangaroos* were the first team that has completely outplayed Tilden so far this season. Excellent play calling by quarterback Mel Grant and the fine blocking of the huge Boys line had the Raiders completely baffled. A bright spot for the *Devils* was the fine running of Mike Kraft. Mike rolled up more than half of the entire Tilden rushing statistics. Capt. John Marvul also performed admirably in the losing effort.

The *Blue Devils* got off to a deceptively quick start. Immediately after Barry Geier recovered a Boys fumble, Buddy Jaworniker latched on to a Stu Bokser pass and barreled his way into the end zone. The apparent touchdown was called back because of an illegal procedure infraction and the *Devil* threat was over.

At the start of the second quarter Tilden got another break as it recovered a fumble on the Boys 3 yard line. This time it was able to capitalize on a Mike Kraft run. Stu Bokser passed to Buddy Jaworniker for the completion of the conversion.

The boys from Boys refused to give up. Driving 60 yards in 6 plays, they scored on Bob Hoyt's crushing 35 yard run. The *Kangaroos* scored again the next time they had possession. Quarterback Mel Grant scored the tally on a 1 yard sneak. The score had been set up by a 52 yard



COMING THROUGH: Ball carrier Joe Puleo finds lots of running room provided by the Tilden line as he races 21 yards for a touchdown against Erasmus. The *Blue Devils* won the encounter 22-8.

pass play from Grant to Mike Smith.

This score was the straw that broke the camel's back as far as Tilden was concerned. The remainder of the game was completely dominated by Boys. Manny Goodwin and his compatriots in the Boys front four stopped the Tilden attack cold. Another score late in the fourth quarter made the final score Boys 18, Tilden 8.

Back on the Winning Track

The Tilden *Blue Devils* got back on the path to victory by routing Erasmus 22-8, October 30, in front of a capacity home crowd.

Statistically, it was Tilden's best offensive of the year. The *Marsmen* had 18 first downs and rolled up an amazing 290 yards rushing. Mike Kraft and Lee Najman led the running backs. Mike rushed for his season high of 128 yards while Lee averaged over 5 yards per carry.

Tilden scored on its first set of downs. It moved the ball 65 yards in 12 plays culminating in Lee Najman's 7 yard run. Najman tallied the conversion giving the *Devils* a quick 8-0 lead. Neither team was able to mount an offensive for the remainder of the first half.

In the second half, Tilden started on its second march of the day after an Erasmus punt. Following an excellent catch by Mike Beck of a

Mike Frozzitta pass, Lee Najman sprinted 8 yards to pay dirt for the second Tilden score. Najman's conversion gave the *Devils* a commanding 16-0 lead at the end of three quarters.

The middle of the fourth quarter found the *Marsmen* driving again deep in Erasmus territory. Suddenly Joe Spain picked off a Mike Frozzitta flare pass and the *Dutchman* speedster outraced everybody en route to a 88 yard touchdown run. Spain topped his performance off by running in for the conversion.

On the ensuing kickoff, the *Devils* found themselves with their backs to the wall on their own one yard line. But fine runs by Mike Kraft and Lee Najman got the team rolling. These two speedsters led the team on a 99 yard drive capped by sophomore Joe Puleo's 21 yard run. This, Joe's first score of his high school career, ended the scoring.

Upset of the Year

A stout *Raider* goal line stand enabled Tilden to squeak out an 8-7 upset victory over Lincoln, November 14, at the victor's home grounds.

This was Tilden's 4th and most important victory of the 1964 campaign. Although the previously unbeaten, untied *Honest Abes* exhibited a strong passing game, their running attack was completely stymied by the Raider front line of John Marvul, Steve Hochman, Mike Shaw, Mitch Silvey, Jerry Guber and Allen Solomon.

Following a scoreless first quarter, the Lincoln offense started to jell. Quarterback Mark Hershman and end Ted Zychowski led a sustained drive capped by Hershman's one yard keeper. Paul Kappelmeier's P.A.T. put the *Railsplitters* out in front 7-0.

The Clutch Touchdown

On the ensuing kickoff, the *Blue Devils* came right back. Mike Katz latched on to a Mike Frozzitta aerial and outraced the entire Lincoln secondary to the end zone. This 53 yard touchdown play set the stage for what proved to be the game winning margin. Joe Puleo's diving one hand circus catch of Mike Frozzitta's pass gave Tilden the 2-point conversion and a 7-7 edge.

The only other threat of the game came late in the fourth quarter with the invading *Coney Islanders* on the Tilden 5-yard line. The Raider defense held firm for four downs, stopping the last ditch Lincoln bid. Stu Bokser and Lee Najman ran out the clock as the *Devils* won the thriller 8-7.

Dave Glickman and Paul Lerner

FLASH!

Lee Najman scored 3 touchdowns and Mike Kraft rushed for 208 yards as the Tilden *Blue Devils* routed Lafayette 28-0, November 14, at Tilden's home ground.

Lee tallied on runs of 7, 9 and 17 yards, bringing his season total to 58 points. The final touchdown came on Mike Katz's 58 yard run. Mike Kraft was the workhorse of the ground attack.

Miller Twins Shine

Despite the Tech victory, there were some decided bright spots for Tilden. Marc Miller broke his own record by four seconds in the 200 yard individual medley, by touching home in 2:39. Marc also swam the 100 yard backstroke in 1:12, breaking his own record by two seconds. Harvey Miller, an all-city candidate, placed first in the 100 yard breaststroke, with a 1:15.0 clocking.

Harriers Post 4-3 Final Record; Strong Tech Beats Mermen 76-19

Tilden wound up its Duel-Meet competition with a 4-3 record. The Hochharriers scored victories over Bushwick, Wingate, John Jay, and Grady while bowing to East New York, Boys, and Brooklyn Tech.

Brown Stars In All-City Meets

At the Fordham University October 21 meet Tom Brown wrote his name into the Tilden record book by finishing first in a field of 180 runners. His time of 13:34 was a new Tilden record. In the Brooklyn Championship meet October 31 meet, Tom took third place. Tilden finished 7th out of 22 schools.

Tom Brown, Sheldon Chaplin (a sprinter who has shown great promise over long distances), Abner Fisch, Tom Zarbo, and Steve Sobel have been the big men for Tilden throughout this soon-to-be-completed cross-country season.

The opening indoor meet of the season will be December 12. Mr. Hochheiser, speaking of his indoor team, said, "We have a tremendous chance to score points."

In the Flatbush Championship, Tom Brown paced the team to a third place finish. Tom, the school record holder for crosscountry run, was under the wire with an impressive 13:33 time. His time was second only to his record clocking of 13:28 in the City Championship.

Following a heartbreaking loss to Boys High, 49-46, as a result of a disqualification in the last event, the Tilden Mermen had the task of swimming against Brooklyn Tech, defending city champs and winners of their last 147 dual meets. Tech, which had defeated Jefferson and Hamilton in earlier meets this season, in the midst of this seventeenth straight year of successive triumphs, proved too formidable a competitor as it overwhelmed Tilden 76-19, at the Tilden pool October 29.

Coach Spielberg gave some of his non-regulars the experience of participating in actual inter-school competition. Looking ahead to the important Jefferson encounter, Coach Spielberg rearranged his usual starting lineups, so as to prevent Jefferson spectators from acquiring information which would militate against the Tilden team.

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ON THE SIDELINES

By Dave Glickman and Paul Lerner



Mike Frozzitta



Stu Bokser

High School Football has unfortunately become an all-or-nothing-at-all proposition. The students tend to regard the city champions as the only successful team. This is unfair appraisal which we feel needs revision.

What Makes a Team?

A team should be judged not on whether it wins or loses but how it plays the game. Tilden's *Blue Devils* are a high spirited crew, and Stu Bokser and Mike Frozzitta are able to inspire the team. They pick apart opposing defenses and give their all on every play of every game. The same is demanded of and received from their teammates.

A study of the team's spirit would not be complete without a word or two about Jeff Kaplan. Jeff is a hard, tough footballer in every sense of the word. However, that is not the same Jeff Kaplan we saw on the sidelines when Tilden was making its last minute drive against Midwood. What we saw was an emotion-filled boy on the verge of hysteria praying

and pleading for a win that never came. Two weeks later, Jeff and the other *Blue Raiders* were once again an angry and formidable defense, formidable enough to hold Lincoln when the *Honest Abes* had the ball first and goal inside the Tilden five yard line to pull off the year's biggest upset.

Mythical City Championship—Fact or Fallacy?

Tilden played the three teams who, along with *Blue Devils*, were in the running for the mythical city championship. As of this writing, there seems little doubt that Midwood will be mythical champs. However, they certainly did not look like champs when they played Tilden. The *Marsmen* held an edge in all the important statistics except one, the final score. Lincoln, which had remained undefeated by pulling a "Midwood" against Boys was stopped when it failed to escape the *Blue Devils'* clutches. The boys from Boys were, in our opinion, the roughest group Tilden faced all year, and yet they will be regarded by many as failures, just as Tilden will be regarded as a failure because they are not the mythical champs. Ah, the irony of it all!

Diamond Demons and J.V. Doings

Congratulations to Billy Byrne of 8B who has been offered a bonus to sign with the Milwaukee Braves. A member of a past Tilden team who has made good is Robert Rosenthal who batted .419 for New York City Community College and was selected to the National Junior College Athletic Association All Star Team.

The Tilden J.V. won a big upset victory over the Midwood freshmen, November 9, at Tilden Field. Coach Wally Wolk's boys rolled up the 28-6 victory mainly on the running power of halfback Russell Kwitkin. Russell tallied 3 touchdowns in the first J.V. victory of the season.

TOUCHDOWN TALK

By Barry Spitz

Leading the *Blue Devils* in scoring and rushing this year is hard running Lee Najman. Lee, a solid 6' 180 pounder, stars as both an offensive and defensive halfback. He is the second leading scorer in Tilden's tough "Suicide Division." Against Curtis, Lee scored two touchdowns and tallied sixteen points.

Lee, who has been in every Tilden game over the past two years, doesn't permit football to take up all his time. Last spring he won a hard fought election to become the G.O. vice-president. Lee does a lot of reading and is also quite interested in electronics. He hopes to attend Temple University after graduation and ultimately become an aeronautical engineer.

Back for his third year on the Tilden team, his second as a starter, is number 36, Jay Schwartzberg, of 7C. Jay stands an even 6' and weighs 190 pounds. He has been drawing plaudits this year for his fine linebacking, despite the fact that he's been hobbled by a leg injury. Jay had his finest day in the Curtis game, making many fine clutch tackles.

Jay, like Lee Najman, is looking forward to a collegiate football career at Temple, where he would like to major in business administration. His chief interests include photography and sports. His personality and sharp wit will enable him to succeed in whatever he undertakes in

the future, just as he has succeeded in the past.

One of Tilden's most versatile athletes is Barry Salow. He plays tackle on the Tilden football team and also is a fine high jumper on the school's track team. If time had permitted he might have gone out for the basketball team as well.

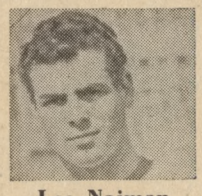
Barry, of official class 7P, packs 180 pounds into his 5'9" frame. On the gridiron, he has intercepted key passes in both the Brooklyn Tech and Curtis games. Barry is never fully satisfied with his performances on the field and he works hard to improve each week's performance.

Big number 67 is planning to attend Long Island University next year. He hopes to be an engineer.

Buddy Jaworniker of 7W is another 3 year Tilden star. This year he has been playing fullback and wingback while last year he saw considerable action at defensive safety.

Buddy's number 23 is familiar to all Tilden fans. He is one of the hardest runners on the Tilden squad. His performance against highly rated Midwood was notable as he led all Tilden ground-gainers. Off the field he keeps in shape by doing weightlifting and by playing basketball.

His college plans Buddy Jaworniker are pointing towards Temple, where he hopes to continue playing football. Buddy, who does well in his studies, would like to be a dentist.



Lee Najman



Barry Salow



Jay Schwartzberg

